

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – U.S. Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) today announced that the “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009,” would make a nearly \$75 million investment across the 62 school districts that make up Ohio’s Sixth Congressional District.

“The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act has two purposes: to create jobs and to lay the foundation for future economic growth,” Wilson said. “The investment that this plan is making in education accomplishes both of those goals. Building 21st Century classrooms is good for schools, good for jobs and good for every single one of our children who deserve a first-rate education.”

In total, the ARRA will provide more than \$140 billion to improve our nation’s education system and to make college more affordable and accessible for students and their families. Specifically, the legislation proposes \$13 billion for Title 1 funding, \$13 billion for special education funding, \$20 billion for school modernization and repair and \$1 billion for new technology investments.

Title 1 and IDEA funds will be increased to help low-income students and students with disabilities. Additionally, funding will be provided to help schools repair, renovate, and modernize their facilities over the next two years. This will create new construction jobs for local workers and provide technologically-updated, 21st century classrooms for local students.

The economic recovery package supported by Congressman Wilson will also cut taxes for 95 percent of working Americans and create millions of jobs by providing increased funding for infrastructure improvements, renewable energy initiatives and other projects important to America’s long term growth.

A more detailed breakdown of how much funding each school will receive under the [economic recovery package is attached.](#)